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Ron Ryan  
SF Phosphates Ltd. Company  
9701 North Highway 191  
Vernal, Utah 84078-7802

Re: Permit Review Status, SF Phosphates, Tailings Amendment, Vernal Phosphate Mine, M/047/007, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Ryan:

On December 13, 1999, we received SF Phosphates's response to our May 20, 1999 letter regarding the amendment to expand the tailings storage facility. Due to a backlog of other permit reviews, the Division has not been able to complete a review of this response within the usual 30-day timeframe. We apologize for the delay and any inconvenience this may cause you.

We hope to complete our review of your application within the next 30-45 days. We appreciate your patience and understanding in this regard. Please contact me if you have questions or concerns with this proposed review schedule.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joelle Burns".

Joelle Burns  
Minerals Secretary

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cc: Pete Sokolosky, BLM, Vernal FO (UTU-76097)  
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